

**Table 2. Number, median days, incidence rate<sup>1</sup> and relative standard errors of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses with days away from work<sup>2</sup> involving musculoskeletal disorders<sup>3</sup> by selected parts of body, Delaware, 2002**

Part of body		Number	Median days away from work	Incidence rate	Relative standard error
Total		1,509	11	51.5	4.9
1	Neck, Including Throat	34	17	1.2	22.3
10	Neck, except internal location of diseases or disorders	34	17	1.2	22.3
2	Trunk	1,091	10	37.2	5.3
21	Shoulder, including clavicle, scapula	108	12	3.7	12.9
22	Chest, including ribs, internal organs	34	6	1.2	22.5
220	Chest, except internal location of diseases or disorders	34	6	1.2	22.5
23	Back, including spine, spinal cord	866	10	29.6	5.7
230	Back, including spine, spinal cord, unspecified	241	10	8.2	9.1
231	Lumbar region	562	9	19.2	6.5
232	Thoracic region	46	2	1.6	19.4
233	Sacral region	8	22	0.3	47.4
234	Coccygeal region	--	--	--	--
238	Multiple back regions	7	2	0.3	47.7
24	Abdomen	51	29	1.7	18.5
240	Abdomen, except internal location of diseases or disorders	10	12	0.4	40.6
241	Internal abdominal location, unspecified	28	23	1.0	24.7
242	Stomach organ	--	--	--	--
245	Intestines, peritoneum	11	32	0.4	38.5
2450	Intestines, peritoneum, unspecified	11	32	0.4	38.5
25	Pelvic region	33	2	1.1	22.9
250	Pelvic region, unspecified	--	--	--	--
251	Hip(s)	5	2	0.2	55.9
254	Groin	25	2	0.9	25.9
3	Upper extremities	176	19	6.0	10.4
31	Arm(s)	51	13	1.8	18.4
310	Arm(s), unspecified	19	15	0.6	30.2
311	Upper arm(s)	12	3	0.4	37.8
312	Elbow(s)	18	6	0.6	30.7
313	Forearm(s)	--	--	--	--
318	Multiple arm(s) locations	--	--	--	--
32	Wrist(s)	100	43	3.4	13.4
33	Hand(s), except finger(s)	12	57	0.4	37.2
34	Finger(s), fingernail(s)	7	12	0.3	47.5
38	Multiple upper extremities locations	5	2	0.2	57.5
389	Multiple upper extremities locations, n.e.c.	5	2	0.2	57.5
4	Lower extremities	137	10	4.7	11.6
40	Lower extremities, unspecified	--	--	--	--
41	Leg(s)	123	10	4.2	12.2
410	Leg(s), unspecified	--	--	--	--
411	Thigh(s)	--	--	--	--
412	Knee(s)	116	10	4.0	12.5

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413	Lower leg(s)	--	--	--	--
42	Ankle(s)	12	1	0.4	37.0
8	Multiple Body Parts	72	20	2.5	15.6

<sup>1</sup> Incidence rates represent the number of injuries and illnesses per 10,000 full-time workers and were calculated as:  $(N / EH) \times 20,000,000$  where,

N = number of injuries and illnesses,

EH = total hours worked by all employees during the calendar year,

20,000,000 = base for 10,000 full-time equivalent workers (working 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year).

<sup>2</sup> Days away from work include those which result in days away from work with or without job transfer or restriction.

<sup>3</sup> Includes cases where the nature of injury is: sprains, strains, tears; back pain, hurt back; soreness, pain, hurt, except back; carpal tunnel syndrome; hernia; or musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders and when the event or exposure leading to the injury or illness is: bodily reaction/bending, climbing, crawling, reaching, twisting; overexertion; or repetition. Cases of Raynaud's phenomenon, tarsal tunnel syndrome, and herniated spinal discs are not included. Although these cases may be considered MSD's, the survey classifies these cases in categories that also include non-MSD cases.

NOTE: Dashes indicate data that do not meet publication guidelines or data for incidence rates less than .05 per 10,000 full-time workers. The scientifically selected probability sample used was one of many possible samples, each of which could have produced different estimates. A measure of sampling variability for each estimate is available upon request.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, April 2004